# **Chinatown 2021-2025 Business Improvement District**

2022 2nd Quarterly Report

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### RE: Chinatown 2021-2025 Business Improvement District - Second Quarter Report

On behalf of the Board, I would like to present the second quarter report and financial expenditures as required by the Administration Agreement between the City of Los Angeles and the Chinatown BID for the Chinatown 2021-2025 Business Improvement District.

### **Second Quarter Activities**

# **Sidewalk Operations**

LA Conservation Corp (LACC) continues to be contracted by BID to provide Sidewalk Operations service for the District. Sidewalk Operations special benefit services include but are not limited to a landscaping, sanitation and a beautification work plan component encompassing services, personnel, trash disposal, sidewalk cleaning, graffiti removal and tree planting, maintenance and trimming.

- The LACC clean and green crew and BID contractors continues to keep the Chinatown properties free of graffiti with graffiti removal occurring within 24 hours after notification.
- The BID continues to provide daily sidewalk sweeping, landscaping services, and removal of illegal dumping and bulky items. Trash bags are then deposited into the Trash Compactor located at the Far East Plaza, 727 North Broadway, Los Angeles. Periodic power washing of all sidewalks by the Tennant Litter Hawk and M2 Auto Scrubber are regularly scheduled throughout the District.
- · Additional maintenance deployment scheduled as needed.

Patrol Solutions is the new security firm contracted by BID to provide security service for the District. BID Patrol officers continue to patroll via vehicles.

- Patrol Solutions to provide 40 hours of private security patrol 24 hours daily. Day shift starts at 6:00 am with a second officer starting at 8:00 a.m. Afternoon/evening shift starts with two officers from 2:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. The overnight shift starts from 10:30 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- By continuing to maintain direct communications with LAPD, LASD (security contractor for the Gold Line and DASH stops), CBO's, merchants, Family Associations and residents, BID Patrol continues to provide public safety and assistance within the District.
- BID Patrol Captain continue to attend the weekly Crime Analysis Detail (CAD) meetings that allows the BID security team to interact and exchange valuable information with LAPD officers and commanders. The monthly Central Area Community Policing Advisory Board (CPAB) meetings were attended by George Yu. Patrol Solutions also attend the monthly CPAB 1A1, Little Tokyo, El Pueblo, and Chinatown area meetings.

### **District Identity and Placemaking**

The District Identity and Placemaking component of the Special Benefits services strive to build the identity of the "Chinatown" district from where it is today. The District Identity and Placemaking services reflected in the second quarter include:

- California State Parks, The Los Angeles River State Park Partners, and Sustainable Economic Enterprises of Los Angeles (SEE-LA) are joining forces to bring a Farmer's Market to Los Angeles Chinatown. The LA River Farmers' Market at Los Angeles State Historic Park (LASHP), opened on May 26, 2022, and takes place weekly on Thursdays 3PM 7:30PM. This Certified Farmers' Market will be a gathering place for the diverse communities of Northeast DTLA to enjoy the products of local farmers and artisans, access social services, and celebrate the cultural heritage of the region.
- The annual Chinatown Summer Nights series kicked off on July 16th. Music components include dance music by KCRW's DJ Jason Bentley and Travis Holcombe, performance by a string quartet and East Wind Lion Dance Troupe at Central Plaza main stage, Eutectics band in West Plaza and a curated Live band selection at Mandarin Plaza. The Street Food lot components include cooking demos by Golden Dragon and Hop Woo, beverage demos by Grand Star and General Lee's, Eating Contest dishes in tribute to Lupe Liang and a large wall projection of Crazy Rich Asian. Other activities include food trucks, the craft and vintage market, vintage photo booths, and the Zine workshop by the Chinese American Museum.
- Plans for the Annual Mid-Autumn Moon Festival is slated for September 17th. KCRW is the 2022 Media Sponsor.

Activities are being discussed.

• Filming in Chinatown: BID continues to work with the Film LA Inc. to direct production companies to our office to ensure timely communication between property owners and location scouts when seeking potential sites and minimize disruption to effected Chinatown businesses and residents. Filming: PROJECT CHARCOAL and Deloitte.

## **Administrative Services and Contingency**

The Administration Services component includes activities such as: personnel, operations, professional services (e.g. legal, accounting, insurance), production of the Annual Planning Report and Budget, preparation for the regular and Annual Board meetings, preparation of taxes, City required quarterly reports, facilitation of meetings of the Owners' Association, Brown Act compliance, outreach to District property and business owners, and participation in professional peer/best practice forums such as the LA BID Consortium, the California Downtown Association or the International Downtown Association.

Carmody, Meach & Choo, LLP, continues to provide accounting services for the Chinatown BID.

Please contact me at (213) 680-0243 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

George Yu President

Chinatown BID

# **Second Quarter Financials**

Budget Category	Annual Budget	2nd Quarter Amount Spent	YTD Amount Spent	Projected Remaining Balance
Sidewalk Operations	1667182.45	\$370,114.59	\$753,523.72	\$913,658.73
District Identity and Placemaking	421655.49	\$12,587.45	\$74,810.14	\$346,845.35
Administrative Services and Contingency	688242.49	\$133,861.31	\$212,555.55	\$475,686.94
Total	\$2,777,080.43	\$516,563.35	\$1,040,889.41	\$1,736,191.02